



CCFAC NEWS

SUMMER 2001

A Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee (CCFAC) publication prepared periodically to inform the public of the programs and activities of Fairfax County's **Consolidated Plan** which includes the Consolidated Community Funding Pool process.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

THANKS TO A COMMUNITY THAT WORKS TOGETHER!

The CCFAC thanks the speakers and the other non-profit representatives who attended the June 12th public hearing. We appreciate your comments on the three documents that were the subject of the hearing: 1) Proposed CCFP Multi-Year Funding Report, 2) Proposed Recommendations for CCFP Funding Priorities for the Funding Cycle Which Began July 1, 2002, and 3) Proposed CCFP Proposal Evaluation Criteria. Following receipt of public comments, the CCFAC approved all three documents with some minor modifications.

Increased technical assistance will soon be available for not-for-profit agencies. The Board of Supervisors has approved a contract for consultant services to strengthen the capacity of community-based non-profit organizations. Stay tuned for additional information about this unique opportunity.

As we look forward to the funding cycle beginning Fiscal Year 2003, we also look back on the accomplishments of the organizations that have already received CCFP funds. During Fiscal Year 2000, CCFP funds totaling \$6.9 million were provided to 56 non-profit organizations to operate human service and housing development projects. The results, detailed in this newsletter, are impressive, showing success by award recipients in meeting their project outcomes and diversity in the types of households served.

Some of the services provided through the CCFP are youth programs, homeless services, emergency food distribution, housing counseling, immigration services, and senior services. CCFP projects touched the lives of approximately 33,000 households in the County.

Community-based organizations also brought their own resources to their projects, providing the equivalent of four dollars for every one CCFP dollar. This translates to \$13.6 million of cash leveraging and \$11.6 million of in-kind and volunteer leveraging.

While much work remains to be done, I hope all who read this report feel a great sense of appreciation of the individuals – both staff and volunteers – who devote countless hours toward helping those in need in Fairfax County. To these individuals we say “Thank you” and keep up the good work!



If you have comments about the CCFP or related issues, please share them with the CCFAC by e-mailing me at the address below.

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CALENDAR NOTES

AUGUST

**August 14 - CCFAC meeting, 7:30 p.m.,
Government Center, Rooms 9/10**

SEPTEMBER

**September 11 - CCFAC meeting, 7:30 p.m.,
Government Center, Rooms 9/10**

CCFACT

July 1, 2001 started the second year of the first Consolidated Community Funding Pool multi-year funding cycle. A total of \$15,499,477 has been made available to community-based non-profit organizations for housing and community services during Fiscal Years 2001 (\$7,692,956) and 2002 (\$7,806,521). Sixty-nine percent of the total is County General Funds, 24% is federal Community Development Block Grant funds, and 7% is a combination of federal and State Community Services Block Grant funds.

FIRST YEAR PROJECT RESULTS CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING POOL

July 1, 1999 marked the first year of the Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP). Fairfax County's two-year-old Community Funding Pool was joined with the Community Development Block Grant award process to fund 82 human service and housing development projects operated by 56 non-profit organizations. County general funds were pooled with federal and state Community Services Block Grant and Community Development Block Grant funds to provide \$6,908,167 in project awards. Projects focused services and activities in one or more of six priority areas:

Priority 1 - People Find and Maintain Safe, Appropriate and Affordable Housing.

Priority 2 - People Have the Supports They Need to Be Self-Sufficient.

Priority 3 - Youth Make Safe, Responsible Decisions.

Priority 4 - Families and Individuals are Healthy, Stable and Independent.

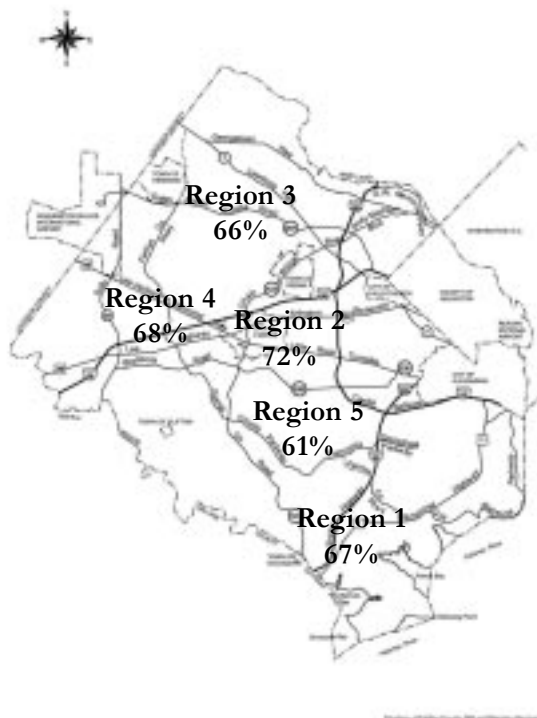
Priority 5 - Families and Individuals Meet Their Basic Needs.

Priority 6 - Communities are Safe, Supportive, Inclusive and Thriving.

CCFP PROJECTS SERVE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES COUNTYWIDE

CCFP Projects for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2000 (Fiscal Year 2000) served 60,050 individuals and 33,010 households countywide. Nearly half the projects (40 out of 82) served all of Fairfax County. In all, residents in each of the Fairfax County Human Service Regions had access to 61% - 72% of the 82 CCFP projects. The chart below shows percentage of projects targeting each region.

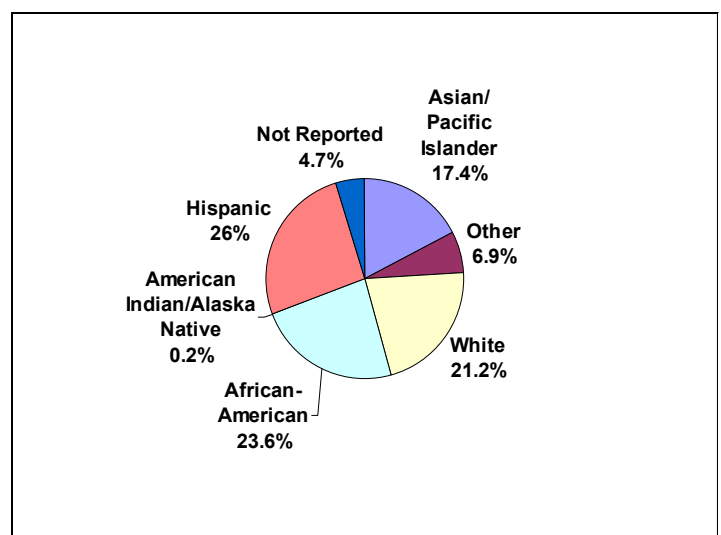
PERCENT OF PROJECTS SERVING HUMAN SERVICE REGIONS



RACIAL AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY FOUND IN CCFP PROJECTS

CCFP households' racial and ethnic representation was 26% Hispanic; 23.6% African American; 21.2% White; and 17.4% Asian/Pacific Islander. 6.9% of the households listed their racial ethnic group as other. American Indian and Alaskan Native residents were 0.2%. 4.7% of the households served did not report race or ethnic group.

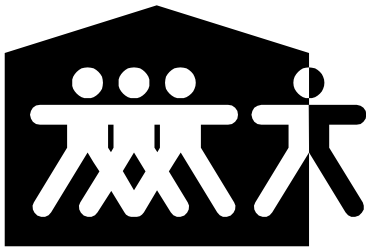
PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS BY RACE AND ETHNIC GROUP



CCFP PROJECTS' HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

Female-headed households totaled 11,956 or 36.2% of the 33,010 households participating in CCFP projects. Housing, youth and basic need projects most often (53% - 63%) served female-headed households. Households with children under 18 represented 44.4% (14,660 households) of the CCFP population. These households were largely in housing, youth, and basic need projects (74%, 91% and 70% respectively).

Some 3,560 households or 10.8% of the total CCFP population reported one or more members with a physical or mental impairment, which limited one or more major life



activities. 23% of the youth projects and 19% of the basic need projects served households with disabled members.

Households with persons 55 or older made up 21% of the CCFP participant population. Projects resulting in safer and more supportive, inclusive, and thriving communities had a significant percent (47%) of participants in this age group. Many (22%) of the employment-focused projects served this older Fairfax County population.

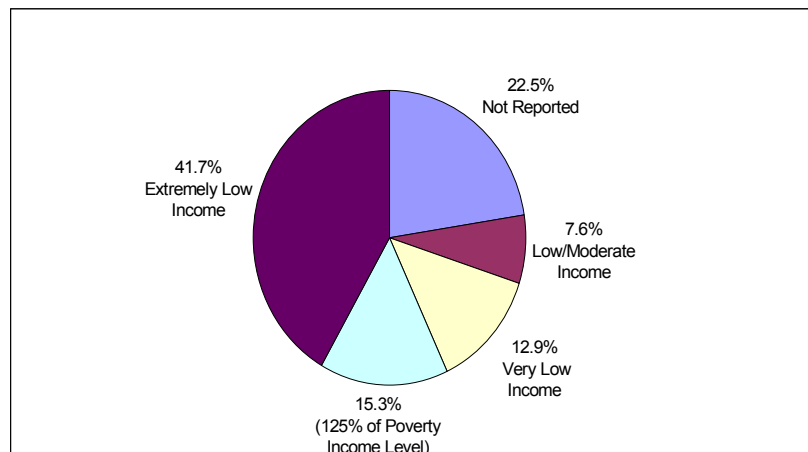
CCFP households receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) totaled 1,315. Youth projects showed the highest number of TANF families, recording 343 or 14%.

More than a quarter (28.2%) of the participating households reported one or more members as unemployed. Forty-two percent of the households served by basic need projects and 33.9% of the households served by projects fostering healthy, stable and independent families had one or more unemployed household members.

CCFP HOUSEHOLD INCOME LEVELS

Most CCFP households (57%) had poverty or near-poverty incomes. This included 5,057 (15.3%) households at or below 125% of poverty (*household of four with yearly incomes of \$13,880 or less*), and 13,769 (41.7%) households at or below extremely low-income levels (*household of four with yearly incomes of \$19,500 or less*). Households of four with incomes of \$19,501- \$32,550 (very low) represented 12.9% of the total. Low – moderate income households of four reported an income of \$32,551-\$40,750 and represented 7.6% of the CCFP participants. Households not reporting income represented 22.5% of the total CCFP population; most of these were participating in programs where it was inappropriate to collect income data.

PARTICIPANTS BY INCOME LEVEL



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING POOL

The Consolidated Community Funding Pool Web Site provides Fiscal Year 2000 project descriptions and award amounts. In addition, other CCFP Web Site information includes CCFP history and development; Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee (CCFAC) reports, reviews and newsletters; current funded projects; and ongoing non-profit training and technical assistance. The CCFP Web Site address is: www.co.fairfax.va.us/service/ccfp.

CCFP-FUNDED PROJECTS LEVERAGED ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

CCFP funds only totaled 22% of project support. Other cash support (42%) almost doubled that provided by the County. Donated goods and services totaled 20% of project resource requirements and volunteer time provided the additional personnel requirements - supporting 16% of the projects' total costs.

Over 16,000 volunteers helped with CCFP-Funded projects.

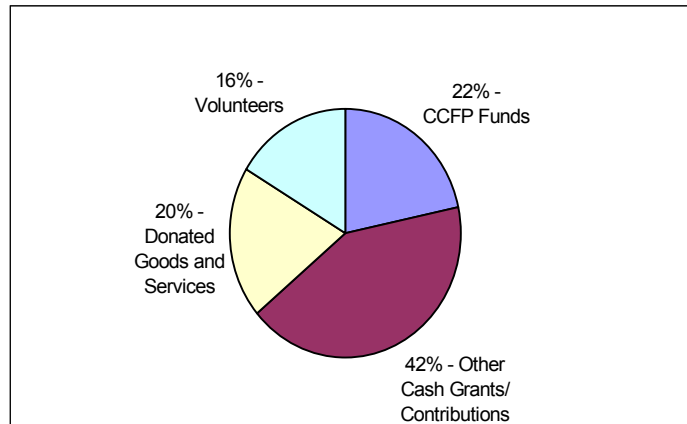
In Fiscal Year 2000, County CCFP projects' support totaled:

- ◆ CCFP Funds \$6, 908,167

Non-County resources supporting CCFP projects totaled:

- ◆ Cash \$13,599,461
- ◆ Non-Cash \$6,323,012
- ◆ Volunteers \$5,243,189

CCFP PROJECT FUNDING SOURCES



CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING POOL PROJECTS MEET PROJECTED OUTCOMES

CCFP Fiscal Year 2000 projects met 175 (80%) of their 218 projected outcomes. These outcomes were established prior to project start-up to measure service and activity impact on targeted individual, household, and community needs.

Projects were funded for services and activities that would best address identified needs. Service and activity impact was projected, and success was measured quarterly. Fiscal Year 2000 CCFP outcome reviews demonstrated that projects improved individual, household, and community conditions as initially projected.

Aggregate project outcomes demonstrated service and activity success in each of the CCFP priority areas. Emergency needs were met for 15,957 persons; 3,673 persons strengthened their employment skills and secured and maintained jobs; 1,032 persons maintained housing and utilities; 1,192 persons with mental health disabilities demonstrated improvement; and 4,102 individuals' crises were stabilized.

CCFP project results by individuals impacted are found on page five.

FY 2000 CCFP PROJECT OUTCOMES IMPACT TARGETED NEEDS

CCFP projects targeted specific individual and community needs. Services and activity outcomes were projected at year's start and results reported quarterly. End-of-year reports demonstrated successful service and activity results and positive impacts on targeted individual and community conditions.

- 15,957 had their emergency needs met. (Food, medical assistance, financial assistance, clothing, transportation.)
- 3,195 persons obtained jobs.
- 1,192 persons with mental health disabilities demonstrated improvement.
- 898 non-English-speaking persons learned basic English.
- Start-up and small business loans were secured for 34 low and moderate income persons.
- 478 individuals improved employment skills.
- 3,008 low-income individuals gained access to consumer, employment, immigrant, housing, and family legal aid.
- 125 low and moderate income individuals obtained affordable quality daycare.
- 656 misdemeanor offenders provided needed community services in lieu of jail time and fines.
- 240 youth improved academic performance.
- 1,099 youth reduced at-risk behaviors.
- 377 teen mothers became self-sufficient.
- 74 victims of domestic violence were provided emergency shelter.
- 117 students at risk of suspension were not suspended during the academic year.
- 85 low-income individuals secured newly developed affordable dwelling units.
- 98 transitional housing residents met financial goals by repairing credit.
- 1,032 individuals at risk of evictions or utility cutoffs maintained housing and utilities.
- 307 young adults (18-21) who were either homeless or recently left foster care services secured affordable housing.
- 5,847 individuals with health, mental or social services needs were linked to required resources.
- 4,102 individuals at risk of crisis (including suicide attempts) demonstrated ability to cope with situations.
- 682 low-income individuals' dental needs were met.
- 136 victims of domestic violence did not return to a violent living situation.
- 596 abused or neglected children were placed in safe and nurturing environments.



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